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Honorable Stuart M. Bernstein  
United States Bankruptcy Court  
Southern District of New York  
One Bowling Green, Room 723  
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Re: *Securities Investor Protection Corporation v. Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC*, 08-1789 (SMB) (Substantively Consolidated); *Picard v. Carol Nelson*; Adv. Pro. No. 10-04658 (SMB).

Dear Judge Bernstein:

We are counsel to Irving H. Picard, as trustee ("Trustee") for the substantively consolidated SIPA liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC ("BLMIS") under the Securities Investor Protection Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 78aaa, *et seq.* and the estate of Bernard L. Madoff. We write in follow up to the pre-trial conference in the above referenced matter held on May 31, 2017 to provide the Trustee's availability for trial. We propose that trial in this matter occur on November 29 and 30, 2017 and offer January 23-25, 2018, as alternative dates.

Respectfully submitted,

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